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25 April 1961

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : OXCART - Titanium Status

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1. On 19 April [REDACTED] and the under-  
signed met with [REDACTED] of TMC, for the purpose  
of reviewing the status of titanium deliveries and reiterating the DD/P's  
concern and interest in expediting this aspect of the OXCART program.  
Mr. [REDACTED] acknowledged the slip in deliveries originally forecast due  
primarily to:

a. The stringent quality control measures imposed for this  
program which resulted in high rates of rejections of material.

b. The extended period of time required by TMC to learn  
how to handle and process titanium in accordance with the rigid  
OXCART specifications.

c. The complex TMC method of processing titanium which  
in many instances requires shipments of material between a  
number of TMC plants involved in a particular processing cycle.

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2. Mr. [REDACTED] stressed that he is mindful of the high national  
objectives and priority of the OXCART program and, therefore, TMC manage-  
ment is devoting full attention to expediting titanium deliveries and  
meeting current and revised schedules. [REDACTED] feels that TMC now is in  
a position to improve deliveries and to complete all outstanding orders  
for Lockheed by 1 August 1961.

3. For the record it must be noted that TMC has been given the  
most difficult titanium assignments by Lockheed. Further, TMC is the  
only titanium supplier which Lockheed found to be capable of taking on  
and accomplishing the most complex titanium tasks and orders contracted  
for by Lockheed.

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Distribution:

- 1 & 2 - C/DB
- 3 - DD/P
- 4 - AG/DPD
- 5 - Contr/DPD
- 6 - Security/DPD
- 7 - RI/DPD

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[REDACTED]  
Chief, Development Branch, DPD

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